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The Honorable Brian M. Cogan
United States District Judge
United States District Court
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: United States v. Thomas McLaughlin
Criminal Docket No. 09-849 (BMC)

Dear Judge Cogan:

The government respectfully submits this supplemental letter in connection with the 5K1.1 motion submitted for the defendant Thomas McLaughlin. In addition to the substantial assistance outlined in the government's May 12, 2014 letter, McLaughlin assisted the government in its prosecutions of Louis Fillippelli and Oreste Abbamonte, two inducted members of the Gambino organized crime family of La Cosa Nostra (the "Gambino crime family").

In January 2011, Oreste Abbamonte, also known as "Ernie Boy," a soldier in the Gambino crime family, was charged with operating an illegal gambling business and associating with a convicted felon, in violation of the conditions of his parole. Both charges were based on a recording made by McLaughlin. The Parole Commission subsequently found - after a hearing at which the recording made by McLaughlin was played - that Abbamonte had associated with a convicted felon and sentenced Abbamonte to a 16-month term of imprisonment. (The Commission found that the other charge had not been sufficiently proven.)

In June 2011, Louis Filippelli, a captain in the Gambino crime family, was charged with violating the terms of his supervised release, based on his promotion of gambling, in violation of state law, and associating with convicted felons. Both charges were based on recordings made by McLaughlin. Filippelli later pled guilty to associating with convicted felons and his term of supervised release was extended.

Respectfully submitted,

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